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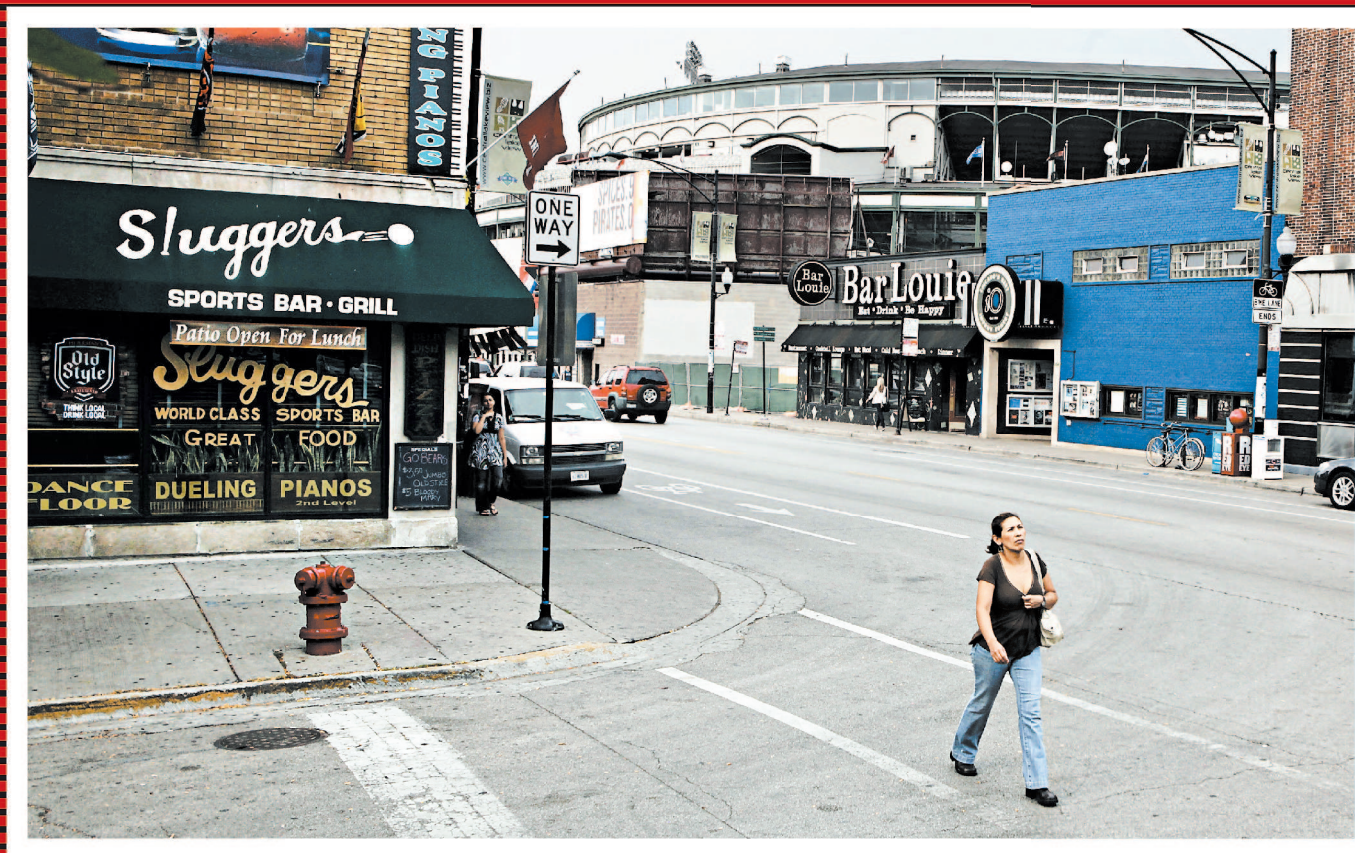
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**Katy Perry + bachelorette party + Las Vegas =**

**Kyra (@thekylesfiles):** Paris Hilton, Part II.

**Matt (@mattpais):** A lot more fun than "The Hangover."

**Katie Holland (@hollandersauce):** The latest thing Oprah gave to her audience?



**Autumn starts Thursday. How will you turn over a new leaf?**

**Kyra:** I won't. Saving myself for New Year's Eve.

**Matt:** It's time to put an end to Barefoot Tuesdays. Hello, Monacle Mondays!

**J F Ronay (@fernroney):** Overdose on everything pumpkin-flavored.



**The BP oil disaster officially is over. Where do we go from here?**

**Kyra:** As far away from the Gulf floor as possible. That means you, BP.

**Matt:** Bachelor party + Katy Perry + Las Vegas

**Jen Smith (@haterface):** Not in the water, that's for sure.



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## best bets



By Rebecca Palmore  
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# Driven to distraction



## Transportation chief: Texting behind wheel a part of U.S. 'epidemic'

### CNN

Distracted driving claimed the same percentage of overall traffic deaths in 2009 as in 2008, according to numbers released Monday, meaning it's still a big problem across the country, Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood says.

"These numbers show that distracted driving remains an epidemic in America, and they are just the tip of the iceberg," LaHood said.

The report from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shows crashes linked to distracted driving claimed 5,474 lives and led to 448,000 injuries across the United States in 2009. That amounts to 16 percent of the traffic fatalities in 2009, the same percentage as in 2008.

The proportion of fatalities associated with driver distraction has increased from 10 percent in 2005, the report says, and the greatest proportion of distracted drivers was in the under-20 age group. A bright note in the report is that, overall, traffic fatalities fell in 2009 to their lowest levels since 1950.

The report was released one day before LaHood is scheduled to convene a National Distracted Driving Summit in Washington.

On Tuesday, leading transportation officials, safety advocates, law enforcement personnel, industry representatives, researchers and the family members of victims of distraction-related crashes will gather to address challenges and identify opportunities for national anti-distracted driving efforts, according to the Transportation Department.

In January, federal regulators proposed a set of guidelines for states to create laws that would ban text messaging while driving.

The proposed legislation, prepared by the traffic safety agency and industry advisers, would authorize law enforcement officers to stop a vehicle and issue a citation to drivers who are texting while driving.

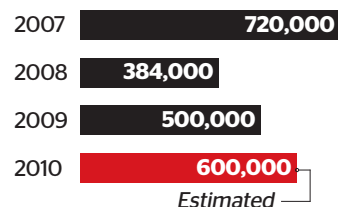
"This language, which we created with a variety of safety organizations, is another powerful tool in our arsenal to help the states combat this serious threat," LaHood said.

Under the proposed guidelines, drivers caught typing on a handheld device while behind the wheel would face a minimum fine of \$75 and unspecified action against their driving privileges. In cases resulting in serious injury or death, a driving while texting offense could be considered a felony.

## Part-time job news

Keeping your fingers crossed for a temp job during the holiday shopping rush? Retailers are expected to hire more seasonal workers this year, increasing their payrolls by up to 600,000 jobs during the holiday months. But they're not ramping up their payrolls to pre-recession levels, outplacement firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc. said in its latest holiday hiring forecast released Monday. **CNN**

» Number of workers hired during holiday season



## Jobs 'R' Us

Toys "R" Us said Thursday it plans to open about 600 temporary stores across the nation—more than six times last year's count, resulting in about 10,000 seasonal jobs.



## The forecast

With unemployment high at 9.6 percent, consumer spending still is stuck in a rut—and as a result, stores are cautious about adding to their holiday payrolls.



## 'Sub-Saharan' debate

Is the phrase "Sub-Saharan Africa" offensive? A leading African organization is spearheading a campaign to end its use, calling it a "disparaging and contemptuous" reference to nations south of the Sahara Desert. Celebrate Africa Foundation, a nonprofit that promotes the continent, is urging editors worldwide to reject the term, saying it started off in the 1990s at the height of the AIDS epidemic in the continent and has a negative connotation. **CNN**

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## Honeymoon's over for some CTA riders

The new train smell is starting to wear off for some CTA riders.

The CTA said it has received 77 comments about its new rail cars, which are being tested on the Blue Line. Many of those submissions were negative feedback about the cars' aisle-facing seats, the CTA said.

The rail cars debuted on the Red Line in mid-April to mixed reviews. Some riders told Going Public they appreciate the digital signs and smooth ride, thanks to an alternating current system for smoother acceleration and braking. Others weren't sold on the seating configuration because they don't appreciate being "sandwiched side-by-side," as one rider put it.

The CTA says the new seating provides a similar number of seats as other "L" cars and the wide aisle allows more room for luggage, strollers and bikes, making it easier for riders to move in and out of the car.

But this doesn't seem to be the case, at least not on the Blue Line, which is the first line the CTA has tested that travels to an airport. The cars also have been tested on the Red and Green lines.

As the cars traveled the Blue Line over the past six weeks, GP observed riders clogging aisles with luggage. Riders also set their bulky luggage next to them, taking up seat space.

One Lakeview rider who wrote to GP worries that long rows of seats will encourage napping on the CTA.

"The new Blue Line trains are pretty, for now. But this winter they will become sleeper cars for the city's homeless," Valerie Hummert, 26, said. "As the temperature drops, expect even more 'sleepers' on the CTA than ever before!"

The cars will be tested on all the rail lines before the CTA will authorize the delivery of the remaining 396 rail cars, which are expected to replace the oldest rail cars of the agency's fleet, namely the Blue Line cars with the accordion doors.

One regular Blue Line rider hopes the replacement comes soon.

"I love the new rail cars and hope the CTA implements them on a permanent basis," David Perry of Forest Park wrote to GP. "It was a nice ride."

### TALK TO US

What do you think of the new rail cars? Send an e-mail to **tswartz@tribune.com**. Please include your full name, age and neighborhood.

### RIDER'S BLOCK

My pledge to ride every CTA bus line continues. I rode the No. 39-Pershing this week and boiled my review down to a tweet. Check out photos at **redeyechicago.com/busrise**.

**@tracyswartz**  
37 min from Lake Park/40th St to St. Louis/38th St. Pershing is a rocky road, making this a bumpy ride. Connect to Orange, Red, Green Lines.

**Next up:** No. 157-Streeterville/Taylor.

### AUTO-BAN

The Active Transportation Alliance is inviting Chicagoans to go car-free Wednesday for the annual Chicagoland Car-Free Day. Chicagoans can pledge to ditch their car at **activetrans.org/carfree**. As of Monday afternoon, 927 people had signed up.



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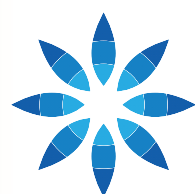
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# PLOT THWARTED

## FBI SAYS IT WAS ON TO MAN'S BOMB PLAN FROM START

### Chicago Tribune

Sami Samir Hassoun carried what he thought was a bomb—fashioned from a paint can and hidden inside a shopping bag—on a street near Wrigley Field more crowded than usual Saturday night after a Dave Matthews Band concert, authorities say.



Hassoun

Moments before, the Lebanese immigrant allegedly had instructed his cohort to dial down the timer to detonate in 20 minutes, saying half an hour was too long.

Hassoun dropped the device in a trash can just feet from one of the neighborhood's popular bars, turned and headed back toward the vehicle when a swarm of FBI agents and Chicago police arrested him.

In the months before, authorities charged, Hassoun had plans ranging from the grandiose to the more simple, but his goal was chilling: inject terror into the hearts of Chicagoans and undermine city government with repeated attacks.

He talked of tainting the water supply, assassinating Mayor Daley and attacking the city's hot spots downtown and on the North Side, according to a federal complaint filed Monday. And to rattle the city's nerves, he'd explode car bombs over and over, authorities said.

"You park the car and let it boom," the 22-year-old is alleged to have said to an informant.

But the FBI was onto him from the start, planting an informant and undercover agents to record Hassoun's every move. Hassoun never realized it, but the FBI provided him with the camcorder he used to scout bombing locations, paid him \$2,700 so he could quit his job to work full time on his terrorism plot and gave him the phony bomb he left in the garbage bin outside Sluggers in the 3500 block of North Clark Street, according to the complaint.



An FBI bomb plot sting culminated with an arrest Saturday at Clark and Eddy streets, across from Sluggers sports bar on the North Side. Sami Samir Hassoun thought he was putting an explosive device into a trash can near Wrigley Field that would destroy half the block, authorities said. **NANCY STONE/TRIBUNE**

Authorities said Hassoun wasn't motivated by religious or political views but rather by a bizarre desire to undermine the mayor's political support and allow an associate to take control of the city. He also hoped to profit from the scheme by being paid for his terrorism work by supporters, the charges alleged.

Hassoun allegedly timed the attack shortly after midnight to exact massive casualties, authorities said. He expected half the block destroyed in the blast, they said.

Steven Strauss, owner of Sluggers, said the entire neighborhood near Wrigley Field was overrun with concert-goers and college students Saturday night.

"It's scary to think of what could have happened," he said Monday night at the bar. "You have 40,000 people converge on Addison and

Clark" on a busy night.

The slim, unshaven Hassoun smiled wanly at relatives seated in U.S. Magistrate Judge Susan Cox's court for his initial appearance at federal court in Chicago. Hassoun, of the 4700 block of North Kedzie Avenue, was charged with attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and attempting to detonate an explosive device. A detention hearing was scheduled for Wednesday.

His Facebook page listed Hassoun as a graduate of American University of Beirut and said his favorite TV shows included "Seinfeld" and "Scrubs."

The last entry on his page was at 11:24 a.m. Saturday. "Sami Hassoun working on his business plans," it said.

The FBI and Chicago police and said resi-

dents were in no danger during the months Hassoun allegedly plotted the bombing and made sometimes vague plans to poison the city's water supply, attack police officers, bomb the Willis Tower or kill the mayor.

The FBI recorded repeated meetings with Hassoun as he discussed his evolving plans and then introduced two undercover FBI agents who posed as terrorists interested in financing his plans.

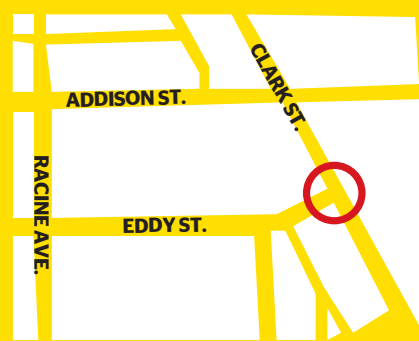
According to the charges, Hassoun seemed eager to launch an attack, allegedly suggesting first nonlethal car bombs at the Daley Center downtown, then seeming to warm to the idea of casualties.

"Little by little, I'm building it up," the complaint quoted him as saying. "I will [expletive] Chicago. I will shake Chicago."



## Incident area

Police say a phony bomb was placed in a trash bin in the 3500 block of North Clark Street.



### Inside the arrest

Read the entire affidavit about the Wrigleyville bomb plot, which mentions the weekend's Dave Matthews Band concert in its footnotes, at [bit.ly/dguUH8](http://bit.ly/dguUH8).

# Wrigleyville residents speak out about alleged bomb plot

## Chicago Tribune

Residents and bar patrons were only vaguely aware of the details of an alleged Wrigleyville bomb plot that the FBI detailed Monday.

This after Northwest Side man Sami Samir Hassoun, 22, of the 4700 block of North Kedzie Avenue, was arrested early Sunday as he placed a backpack containing what he thought were high-explosives in a trash can in front of Sluggers on North Clark Street, about a block south of Wrigley Field, according to the FBI.

The slim, unshaven Hassoun smiled at relatives as he appeared before U.S. Judge Susan Cox on Monday afternoon. Hassoun said he would hire his own attorney for a preliminary hearing Wednesday.

He faces five years to life in prison if convicted.

Anna Cooper, 23, a waitress from Roscoe Village who occasionally hangs out at the bars and restaurants along Clark Street, was relieved to know that the device reportedly left in the trash can was not real.

"Thank God that he got a fake one and he did not find his own means to make one," Cooper said outside Sluggers on Monday night.

Sarah Clark, 34, of Wrigleyville, general manager at Newport Chicago Bar and Grill, said she does not understand the suspect's reported motivation for his actions.

"It's a massive cry for help for a person to feel they need to create such an amazing event around themselves; it's extremely selfish and sickening," Clark said. "We obviously have this beautiful freedom of speech so he really could have just called up all of the newspapers, there's all kinds of online groups, ways to complain to get your opinion out there."

Eric Garman, a bartender who works at Merkle's Bar and Grill, had not heard about the alleged bomb threat until Monday evening.

"It's an unfortunate incident that happened in the neighborhood," he said. "I'm happy that it was taken care of and hopefully it doesn't become an issue because this is a populated area."

## Your reaction

We turned to RedEye's Twitter followers and Facebook fans for reaction to this story. Here are some of the responses. Follow us on Twitter at [twitter.com/redeyechicago](https://twitter.com/redeyechicago) and like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/TheRedEye](https://facebook.com/TheRedEye).  
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### TWITTER

@djnathan  
CRAZY!

@JennyBlonn  
Biggest fear becomes reality ... absolutely horrifying.

@marissakarlins  
This is an extremely disturbing story considering Wrigleyville is a place that feels safe for entire families.

@davenathan  
Very scary b/c of the closeness to where we live, eat & drink. It reminds us that we must be alert & vigilant at ALL times.

FACEBOOK  
Scott Nowak  
Scary

Mary Ann O'Rourke  
I have twenty-five in-laws from Kansas City going to the Cubs-Cardinals game on Friday. I never thought of Wrigley as being a dangerous place. Now I'm a little nervous.

Phil Melcher  
Law enforcement did their job without further incident and a potential catastrophe didn't happen.

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The CTA plans to have pay phones, such as this one at the Red Line station at Grand Avenue, removed. ALEX GARCIA/TRIBUNE

# CTA pulling the plug on station phones

## Chicago Tribune

In April, the CTA declined to renew its contract with Pacific Telemanagement Services, which operates pay phones along routes, and now the transit agency plans to have the remaining pay phones removed from its train platforms and bus enclosures.

"In recent years, with more people using cell phones, there has been a steady decline in the use of coin-operated phones, which has resulted in a significant drop in revenue for the CTA," CTA spokeswoman Sheila Gregory said in an e-mail.

In April, there were 559 pay phones on CTA property. Pacific Telemanagement began removing the least used, unprofitable phones, leaving just 179 phones across the CTA system, said Michael Rossi, the firm's chief operating officer.

But the firm wants to keep operating the phones that are left.

"It may not be a significant contribution to the CTA, but it's not costing them any-

thing," Rossi said.

While Kurt Gibbs, vice president of sales for Pacific Telemanagement, said the CTA pays nothing for the maintenance of the phones, Gregory said phone maintenance has cost the CTA \$200,000 since 2004, when AT&T operated the pay phones. Pacific Telemanagement took over in 2008.

The CTA received just \$600 in commission fees from the pay phones in the past quarter, Gregory said.

Nonetheless, Pacific Telemanagement said pay phones continue to be a viable option for many people. Rossi said about 1 million calls are placed from the pay phones on CTA property each year, with approximately 655,000 calls actually completed.

And the pay phones regularly are used to call 911, Gibbs said.

"There is still a segment of the population that doesn't carry a cell phone and still

relies on pay phones," Gibbs said.

Gregory said security is not an issue because there are call buttons on train platforms, in addition to CTA staff to monitor things. The CTA also is exploring technology that could link its platform and stations to the agency's control center and the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications, Gregory said.

Several commuters in the subway station at Lake Street said they think the phones should stay.

"Not everybody has cell phones," said Anna Volkmann, 30, of Andersonville.

Safety also is of concern.

"You never know when an emergency is going to arise," said rider John C. Patterson Jr., 61, of Roseland. "All kind of things happen down here."

Other riders took the news that pay phones may soon be unavailable in stride.

"Most people have their own phones anyway," said Augurita Polk, 62, of Pullman.

## Oh, Christmas tree—Chicago still looking for the perfect one

Two months after the Mayor's Office of Special Events launched its first official contest to find the perfect tree to grace Daley Plaza during the holidays, the candidates just aren't measuring up.

The office has received numerous submissions since beginning the search in July, but not one tree was tall enough, officials said.

"It's really hard to gauge how big a tree is," said Ann Hickey, program coordinator for the Office of Special Events. "People see this big, beautiful tree and it's huge to you, but it's really only 35 to 40 feet."

The office announced Monday it now is giving applicants until Oct. 11 to submit photos of trees—at least 55 feet tall—to vie for the honor of being Chicago's official Christmas tree. **TRIBUNE**

## Pols talk mayoral race

More buzz surfaced Monday concerning Chicago's mayoral race: U.S. Rep. Danny Davis said he's ready to gather signatures, Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart said he is weighing options and former Democratic U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley Braun announced her "almost candidacy."

## 249 arrested in crackdown

Authorities this weekend arrested 249 people, took 24 parolees into custody and seized 22 guns as part of a joint law enforcement crackdown. The sweeps were part of "Operation Return To Owner," a plan that saturates high-crime areas.

## Court OKs cemetery grab

The Illinois Appellate Court affirmed the acquisition by the city of Chicago of St. Johannes Cemetery, which stands in the way of a new runway that is part of the O'Hare Airport Modernization program.

## Discrimination suit filed

The government filed a lawsuit Monday against a Bridgeport couple for allegedly refusing to sell their home to a black family. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development had said discrimination factored into Chicago radio personality George Willborn's failed efforts to buy the home.

## Pilsen parents protest

Monday marked the sixth day of protest by parents who have staked out a Pilsen school field house in the 1900 block of West 23rd Street to stop its demolition in hopes of turning the building into a library. **TRIBUNE**



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## Carried to safety

A rescuer carries a woman through floodwaters Monday in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, after a typhoon crossed the island over the weekend. GETTY IMAGES



### Plane lands on freeway

A small plane made an emergency landing Monday on Interstate 85 northeast of downtown Atlanta, snarling traffic during afternoon rush hour. No injuries were reported.

### 1 dead in base shooting

The FBI rushed to Fort Bliss in west Texas on Monday to investigate a shooting at a convenience store on the base that left a man dead and two women wounded, base spokesman Dieter Jester said. The man, who authorities say shot the women, was shot and killed by law enforcement officers on the base.

### Acid hoaxer charged

Prosecutors in Vancouver, Wash., have charged Bethany Storro, who admitted throwing a corrosive liquid on her own face, with three counts of theft from people or companies acting as good Samaritans, officials said Monday.

## Bill ties repeal of gay ban to troops' raises

**WASHINGTON** Congressional Democrats plan to push key policy objectives, including a repeal of the ban on gays serving openly in the U.S. military and an immigration measure, by linking them to a must-pass defense bill coming before lawmakers this week.

The annual defense authorization bill provides a 1.4 percent pay raise for troops and \$725 billion for the Pentagon, including \$159 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Democrats have added a provision that would abolish the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy, and want to add an immigration measure called the DREAM Act, which would provide a route to citizenship for youths who are in the U.S. illegally.

Republicans are vowing to filibuster the defense bill, charging Democrats with using it to win over voters. "To pursue a social and legislative agenda to galvanize voting blocks, I believe, is reprehensible," Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) said Monday.

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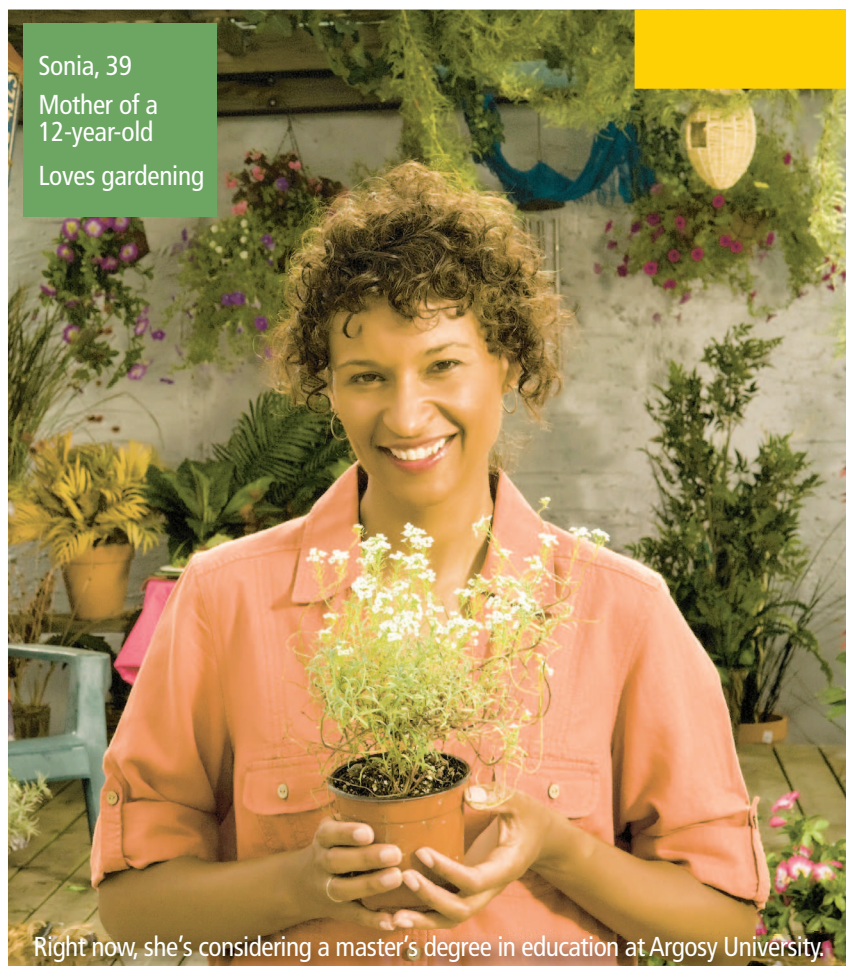
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## BAD JAY BECOMES GOOD JAY

The quarterback who threw almost as many interceptions as touchdowns last year is nowhere to be found. Instead, Jay Cutler (left), statistically, is one of the best in the NFL. He has the highest quarterback rating (121.2 vs. Peyton Manning's 121.0), is third in passing yards with 649, is tied for second with five touchdown passes and leads the league with 10.1 yards per completion. Not even Kristin Cavallari has been able to derail his season—yet.

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# On 2nd thought ...

## Bears defy naysayers with surprising 2-0 start to the season

Few—if any—experts, casual football followers or even Bears fans, perhaps, saw this coming.

A win at home against Detroit? Sure. A win on the road against Dallas to go 2-0? Not likely.

But here we are. The Bears are undefeated heading into

a Monday night game against the hated Green Bay Packers that will put one team alone atop the NFC North.

How have they done it? Let's take a look at the team we thought we had vs. the team we really have. **REDEYE**



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## WEAK OFFENSIVE LINE STEPS UP

Last season's failure of the running game and 35 sacks allowed didn't bode well for this season. But there are signs of hope. Yes, the Bears are a dubious sixth in the league with five sacks allowed and the team is 28th in rushing with 69.5 yards per game, but after a shaky start Sunday, the offensive line held up and gave Cutler time to finish off the Cowboys.



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## MATT FORTE IS BACK

OK, we've already gone over the lack of a running game this season, but after a letdown of a sophomore season, Forte (center) is back to form. The speed he displayed as a rookie has returned, and he's become an integral part of the Mike Martz passing offense, just like Marshall Faulk was in St. Louis. With three TDs, the Bears wouldn't be where they are without him.



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## DEFENSE WINS GAMES

The Bears always have been known for their defense, and this year is no different. Brian Urlacher is back with a vengeance after missing most of last season with a dislocated wrist, and Julius Peppers is making a difference with a sack and a TKO of Detroit quarterback Matthew Stafford. The D leads the league in allowing just 28 yards rushing per game.

# I was wrong about these Bears—so far

I remember how I ended my most recent Bears column in this fine paper. If you don't recall, the final three words were: "We're effing screwed."

Then in Week 1, the Bears beat Detroit solely because Calvin Johnson felt like celebrating a

game-winning touchdown while in mid-catch. No rational Bears fan took the game as a "win." More like an "Ugh, this is what JaMarcus Russell must've felt like when he cashed game paychecks."

But Sunday's performance in The House That Botox Face Built has the majority of Bears fans excited. After all, they beat the Cowboys in Dallas. They must be for real, right? Two stats about the Bears offense answer that question: 2.8 and 28 percent. Average yards per carry and third-down conversion. Both are in the bottom quarter of NFL teams in this young season. Not a good sign for sustainable success on offense.

Detroit's not a good team. Dallas ain't good either, people. Wins against them won't look too impressive by the end of this season. But the next team on the schedule, our oldest foes from Cheesehead Country, they're a real NFL contender. And I don't think the Bears have much of a chance to win.

I truly want to see Julius Peppers turn Aaron Rodgers into a human fondue platter (scattered pieces of meat slathered in melted cheese—a delicious if not gross semi-metaphor). I hate the Packers. I just don't see our mostly decent defense holding up against the Pack's constant air attack if our offense keeps going three-and-out. The pseudo expert in my mind won't let the face-painted meatball type the words "Bears 35, Packers 31" or tack on an additional "and Ditka, 242."

But I will make this promise: If the Bears pull out a victory and improve to 3-0, I will completely and totally buy in for 2010. Even though they can't run. Even though every single person watching that Lions game knows Lovie should've kicked the damn field goal. Even though I should know better as a Chicago sports fan. Please: Make me look the fool, Bears. (Even more so than usual.)

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**1** Bears: Contenders or pretenders?

Right now, a contender, but a flop at home against Green Bay and it's a whole new ballgame.

Airbender. This is a Mike Martz offense, after all.

Ask Jason Witten, baby! We're contenders!

Um ... prontender? Can I answer this after the Packers game?

They're definitely in contention to be the Packers' next victim.

**2** What is Soldier Field going to sound like Monday night vs. Green Bay?

You know how loud it gets at the United Center for Blackhawks games nowadays? Not that loud.

Shouting and cursing, followed by deep sobs, like when Alex gets a hangnail.

Does our defense being awesome make a noise?

Really, really, really, really drunk.

Sixty thousand beer-swilling Bears and Packers fans—what does "fat" sound like?

**3** What's up with the rash of concussions in sports?

I'm more concerned about the rash of impalings.

Better than their last epidemic, the rash of rashes.

A bunch of guys playing a sport where they run head-first into each other? I can't imagine.

I don't know, but they seem to extend to newspaper contributors, too.

Sure, of course. What were we talking about?

**4** What sports injury could be worse than being stabbed by a broken bat?

Having your ear chewed off by Mike Tyson.

The ol' chicken leg. YouTube the name "Napoleon McCallum"—before lunch.

Being stabbed by an unbroken bat.

I'm not sure ... something about concussions and newspaper contributors.

Having your upper body turned to mush by Clay Matthews. Beware, Cutler.

**5** What new Blackhawks player is going to surprise us?

John Scott. At 6-foot-8, 250+ pounds, he'll more than fill Big Buff's skates.

Viktor Stalberg, who took time out of his busy schedule of being a Bond villain.

Marty Turco—by Dec. 31, we're all sayin' "Antti Who?"

Having a problem remembering the name. What are we talking about again?

I will be completely shocked if the monstrous John Scott doesn't kill someone this year.

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Teammates congratulate Patrick Kane (right) after he scored in Saturday's scrimmage. **WILLIAM DESHAZER/TRIBUNE**

# Hawks are flying

## Coach Quenneville likes what he sees in training camp

Three days of Blackhawks training camp are in the books and several players—veterans and prospects alike—are catching the eye of coach Joel Quenneville and his staff.

“When you watch them play out there in the scrimmages, you see the guys and how they compete and how guys handle situational plays, how they handle the puck, how they see plays, how they anticipate holes and things like that,” Quenneville said Monday after practices and two scrimmages. “There were some nice plays out there today—[Patrick] Kane had several of them. You’re watching hockey sense and the upside and potential of some of these kids as well.”

Quenneville was pleased with the overall performance of the teams, which are split into three groups until the anticipated first cuts Tuesday.

“I really like [Alec] Richards in net there,” Quenneville said. “He’s one guy today I thought played well. [Jeremy] Morin, [Bryan] Bickell ... Kane’s been good, [Patrick] Sharp’s skating well, [Igor] Makarov. There

### HUET SELLING CONDO

Blackhawks goaltender Cristobal Huet, who won the Stanley Cup with the team but reportedly will play this season in the Swiss league, and his wife have listed their five-bedroom, 4,771-square-foot condo unit in a 60-story River North high-rise for exactly \$3 million. Signed by the Blackhawks in 2008 to a four-year, \$22.5 million deal, the French-born Huet paid \$2.425 million in late 2008 to buy the unit.

are a lot of guys who have played well.”

The White Team, featuring Kane, Sharp, Bickell, Richards and Duncan Keith, among others, had two scrimmages Monday.

“Bickell is scoring every game and seems to be playing well with Kane,” Sharp said. “[Rob] Klinkhammer has been skating real hard and playing well, and I always like Evan Brophrey. Those are the guys who are playing well and on the back end the youngster [Nick] Leddy is doing a good job with Duncan.”

» A day after Cubs outfielder Tyler Colvin was hospitalized in Florida after being hit with the jagged end of a shattered maple bat, officials said Monday they’re hopeful of increasing the safety requirements for bats for the 2011 season but will not ban them.

» The Oct. 2 game between Ohio State and Illinois in Champaign is set for 11 a.m. and will be aired on the Big Ten Network. Northwestern’s game at Minnesota will be played at the same time and will be aired on ESPN or ESPN2.

**FINAL SCORE:** » White Sox at Oakland, late » New Orleans 25, San Francisco 22  
» Isiah Thomas says Carmelo Anthony will end up with the Bulls or Knicks.

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**2 White Sox at Oakland**  
9:05 p.m. WGN  
**A’s 5, Sox 1**  
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**3 Columbus vs. Tacoma**  
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## Fall flavor savers

**7 spots to save some cash with seasonal food and drink deals**

**By Linda Hays**

Although impending chilly weather is sure to close our favorite patios of the summer, it isn't all bad that the party's moving indoors. From Oktoberfest brews to bar snacks tinged with Thanksgiving flavors, these deals will give you a taste of autumn without taking a toll on your wallet.

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**Get it:** Thursdays

**Savings:** \$3.50

### Lillie's Q

1856 W. North Ave. 773-772-5500

**The eatery:** This Bucktown barbecue joint doles out Southern classics courtesy of chef Charlie McKenna, a Florida State graduate and also a lifelong fan of the Southeastern Conference.

**The deal:** A free order of boiled peanuts during Seminoles games for every patron wearing Florida State gear; \$1 boiled peanuts for SEC fans wearing their team's gear during a corresponding game

**Get it:** Saturdays during Florida State and SEC football games

**Savings:** \$3-\$4



Lillie's Q  
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Declan's Irish Pub  
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### Grace Street Tap

3759 N. Western Ave. 773-463-7120

**The bar:** Don't be fooled by this North Center tavern's casual decor and dive-bar vibe. The cheap drink menu features kooky cocktails that co-owner Joey Dunne whips up in his makeshift mixology lab in the bar's basement.

**The deal:** \$4 pints of Pumpkin Cream Dream, an homage to pumpkin pie made with house-made pumpkin-infused vodka, Pinnacle whipped cream-flavored vodka, soda and a splash of OJ

**Get it:** Daily through Dec. 1

**Savings:** \$2

### Racine Plumbing Bar & Grill

2642 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-871-1600

**The bar:** This comfy Lincoln Park sports bar takes its name from owner Chris Owens' great-grandfather's plumbing business, and servers don tool belts to match.

**The deal:** \$5 apple cider martinis made with vodka, cider, nutmeg and cloves

**Get it:** Fridays

**Savings:** \$2

### Declan's Irish Pub

1240 N. Wells St. 312-642-5522

**The bar:** This Old Town pub packs plenty of old-world charm thanks to a 140-year-old wooden bar, a pressed tin ceiling and friendly bartenders manning the taps.

**The deal:** \$3 pints of Sam Adams Oktoberfest

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**3 The Pitch** 2142 N. Clybourn Ave. 773-857-1111  
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Lucas Neff in  
"Raising Hope."

# ← Almost famous

**Chicagoans on the small screen: Lucas Neff goes from cleaning toilets to TV spotlight**



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Lucas Neff doesn't call his life a rags-to-riches story, but he can relate to the financial straits of his character on the Fox comedy "Raising Hope."

About a year ago the North Sider and stage actor was cleaning houses in Chicago to scrape up some extra cash when he learned about auditions for the TV series, which debuts at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

"I had just scrubbed my first two toilets," the graduate of Whitney Young High School said. "I was just wracked with misery. I think seven auditions had gone horribly wrong and then I got called in to do this audition."

"It's been a life-changing event."

Now the 24-year-old is headlining "Raising Hope" and leading the charge of several Chicago-area natives starring in new fall series, including Michael Stahl-David (ABC's "My Generation"), Parvesh Cheena (NBC's "Outsourced"), Jonathan

Sadowski (CBS' "\$#! My Dad Says") and Melissa McCarthy (CBS' "Mike & Molly").

In "Raising Hope," Neff plays Jimmy Chance, a "well-meaning idiot" who has a one-night stand with a killer. Fifteen months later, she's been executed (yes, it's a bit dark) and he's taking care of their 6-month-old baby with the help of his eccentric family. "Hope" comes from creator Greg Garcia, who remains as fascinated with redemption and the working class as he was in his previous series, "My Name Is Earl."

Garcia conducted a nationwide search to find the right actor around whom to build his new series. He chose Neff over about 550 hopefuls to play Jimmy opposite such heavy hitters as Martha Plimpton ("How to Make It in America," "The Goonies") Garret Dillahunt ("Deadwood," "The 4400") and Emmy and Oscar-winner Cloris Leachman.

"It's ridiculous," Neff said. "My life's been a series of happy accidents."

One of those accidents led the former Andersonville resident into the performing arts program at the University of Illinois-Chicago. Neff planned to study film hoping to become a cinematographer, but fate intervened.

"Somehow somebody clicked something wrong because I ended up in the performing arts department," he said, adding that his mother, Storycatchers Theatre founder Meade Palidofsky, thought it was a "sign from the heavens." (His father, Alan Neff, is a lawyer and novelist.)

"I'm an incredibly lazy person so I didn't want to fill out any more



Lucas Neff and Kelly O'Sullivan in the production "Jon" in Chicago. TRIBUNE FILE



paperwork ... so I tried it. I immediately just fell in love with it."

After graduating in 2008, Neff landed roles in Collaboration theater company's "Jon," Steppenwolf Theatre's "Honest" and, in October, Chicago Dramatists' "Lucinda's Bed."

That was around the time he got a call that Garcia had seen his videotaped audition for "Raising Hope" and wanted to fly him out to L.A. to try out in person.

"I watched about half of the first scene that he did on tape. I knew that this was the guy," Garcia said. "He was very funny. ... Also, he just felt very real to me; he felt very honest. I found myself rooting for him as a character."

During several weeks—and a few more trips to L.A.—he tested with Plimpton and then Dillahun before he was hired. The pilot was filmed

in December, and although Neff was thrilled he'd landed the job, he wasn't feeling like he'd "arrived."

"I was living out of a hotel with my girlfriend [Chicago stage actress Kelly O'Sullivan]," he said. "We didn't have a microwave. I would steal food from craft services [on the set] every day and stick it in the mini fridge. We'd be eating a half-frozen chicken and potatoes every night. It was just really ridiculous."

In January, they packed up O'Sullivan's Honda Civic and moved to L.A. After a perilous drive in which "bits of plastic just started to fall off the car," they found a small, one-bedroom apartment they're not quite calling home. O'Sullivan currently is starring in "The Seagull" at the Goodman Theatre, and Neff comes home about every two weeks to see her, visiting his Andersonville hangout, The Coffee Studio, and eating Tedino's deep dish pizza.

Neff is getting over his jitters about carrying

a new show thanks to Garcia and his co-stars. As the cast member with the least amount of experience, he's literally become the punching bag for everyone else.

"Garret gives me charley horses and punches me right before we start scenes," he said, laughing. "I'm the little brother to everyone on set."

He's not complaining. Despite "still not believing this is all happening," he's doing exactly what Plimpton, a Steppenwolf Theatre member, advised him to do: Enjoying himself.

"I'm in a new city, learning about life out in L.A., learning about how TV and film work and working with some of the best actors I've ever worked with in my entire life," he said. "So, it's an incredible magic-carpet ride."

## !!!! 'Raising Hope'

8 p.m. Tuesday, Fox

To say that Greg Garcia's new comedy starts off darkly is an understatement, but the "My Name Is Earl" creator quickly infuses the proceedings with a lot of heart and humor. Lucas Neff is totally endearing as clueless new dad Jimmy, who must raise his 6-month-old daughter with only the help of his nutty family (played to perfection by Martha Plimpton, Garret Dillahunt, Skyler Stone and Cloris Leachman). If the show keeps up the pilot's mix of silly and sweet, it'll be difficult to resist.

## ALSO TUESDAY

### !!!! 'Glee'

7 p.m., Fox

The runaway hit returns with a new foe for Sue Sylvester (Chicago native Jane Lynch, by the way) and a few new members for the glee club, but New Directions still isn't getting any love or respect at McKinley High. I'm not sure their version of Jay-Z's "New York" will change a lot of minds, either. But "Glee" remains light, frothy fun.

# HOLLYWOOD VIA CHICAGO

Lucas Neff is one of a handful of actors originally from the Chicago area starring in new TV series. Watch for complete interviews with these actors in future issues and at [showpatrolTV.com](http://showpatrolTV.com).

## Michael Stahl-David

He plays Steven Foster in ABC's drama "My Generation," debuting at 7 p.m. Thursday.

**Age:** 27

**Education:** Lincoln Park High School and Columbia College Chicago

**Grew up in:** Lakeview near Clark and Belmont

**You may remember him from:** TV's "The Black Donnellys;" the film "Cloverfield;" "One Arm" at Steppenwolf Theatre (2004), "The Goat, or Who is Sylvia" at Goodman Theatre (2003) and "Lost in Yonkers" at Victory Gardens Theater's Upstairs Studio (2003).

**On being inspired to become an actor:** "I remember watching Mariann Mayberry [at a Steppenwolf Theatre table read of a play] just dive into this role ... and I remember just thinking like, 'Wow, OK, this is what I want to do.'"



## Melissa McCarthy

She stars as Molly in the CBS sitcom "Mike & Molly," airing at 8:30 p.m. Mondays.

**Age:** 40

**Education:** Joliet Catholic Academy and Southern Illinois University

**Grew up in:** Plainfield  
**You may remember her from:** "Samantha Who?" and "Gilmore Girls" on TV; the films "The Back-up Plan" and "The Nines."

**On sneaking to Chicago in high school:** "I went out downtown a lot. ... I wasn't supposed to be. I hit Medusa's a lot. I hit Smart Bar. ... I couldn't stay out of the city."



## Parvesh Cheena

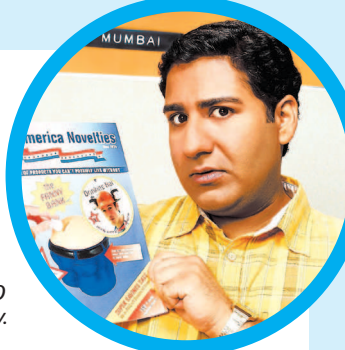
He stars as nerdy Gupta in the NBC sitcom "Outsourced," debuting at 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

**Age:** 31

**Education:** Waubonsie Valley High School in Aurora; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Roosevelt University

**Grew up in:** Naperville  
**You may remember him from:** TV's "Help Me Help You" and guest roles on "Til Death" and "My Name Is Earl;" the film "Barbershop;" "India Ink" at the Apple Tree Theatre (2004) and productions by the Raza Theatre Co. (now called the Rasaka Theatre Co.)

**On his pizza habits in Chicago:** "We would order Giordano's and if it was before midnight, then after you came back from the bars we'd get Chicago's Pizza."



## Jonathan Sadowski

He plays William Shatner's son, Henry, in CBS' "\$#\*! My Dad Says," debuting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

**Age:** 30

**Education:** Mount Carmel High School and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Grew up in:** Bridgeport  
**You may remember him from:** TV's "American Dreams" and "Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles;" the movies "Live Free or Die Hard" and "She's the Man."  
**On co-starring with Shatner:** "It's still kind of surreal sometimes, you know? Eating breakfast ... and just shooting the [\$#!] about football. It's kind of weird." CURT WAGNER, REDEYE





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## A TALE OF TWO TAYLORS

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

They're both blonde, both musicians and both named Taylor. But that's where the similarities seem to end for country sweetheart Taylor Swift and "Gossip Girl" star-turned-teenage hellcat Taylor Momsen. Momsen, who was called out last week by "Gossip Girl" guest star Tim Gunn to **online.com** as being "a diva" and "pathetic," didn't appear in the show's season premiere Sept. 13. While we wait to see when she'll show up again, let's take a look at these sweet-and-sour Taylors.

### PERSONAL STYLE

Favors raccoon eyeliner, lingerie and gigantic platform shoes—including a pair she wore at a concert this summer with a clear tip jar built into the sole. In August, she told *Interview* magazine she shops mostly at "stripper stores" for her outfits.

Favors soft, romantic gowns, and became a Cover Girl model in May. She told *People* magazine her favorite places to shop include Urban Outfitters, Anthropologie and Betsey Johnson, and said she takes fashion inspiration from her fans.

### BIRTHDAY BASHES

Momsen held her Sweet 16 at New York's Hiro Ballroom, **mtv.com** reports. The MySpace-sponsored party featured performances by DJ MisShapes and Momsen's band, The Pretty Reckless. Guests included her "Gossip Girl" co-stars.

Invited her friends, band and touring crew to her family's home in Hendersonville, Tenn., for her Christmas-themed 20th birthday party, **people.com** reports. The singer baked cookies for the party the night before and donated \$250,000 to schools across the country as her gift.

### LAYING THE SMACK DOWN

Has beefs with Rihanna and Miley Cyrus. Momsen narrowly missed out on the role of Hannah Montana, the *Times* of London reports, but Momsen told *FHM* UK that she's "not looking to be Miley [bleeping] Cyrus." She told *Spin* magazine, "People think pop is rock, and the lines are getting blurred. Now Rihanna's wearing [bleepin'] leather jackets, and it's really annoying."

After her now-infamous brush with Kanye West at the 2009 MTV Video Music Awards, Swift sprang back at this year's ceremony, performing a new song, "Innocent." Though the tune wasn't specifically directed at West, it included lines such as "who you are is not what you did" and "32 is still growing up now ... you're still an innocent."

### MUSIC VIDEOS

Her video for "Make Me Want to Die" features Momsen taking off nearly all her clothes, then diving into a flaming grave.

Her video for "You Belong With Me" features a nerded-out Swift spying on her hottie dreamboat neighbor next door.

Taylor Momsen

AGE: 17

Taylor Swift

AGE: 20



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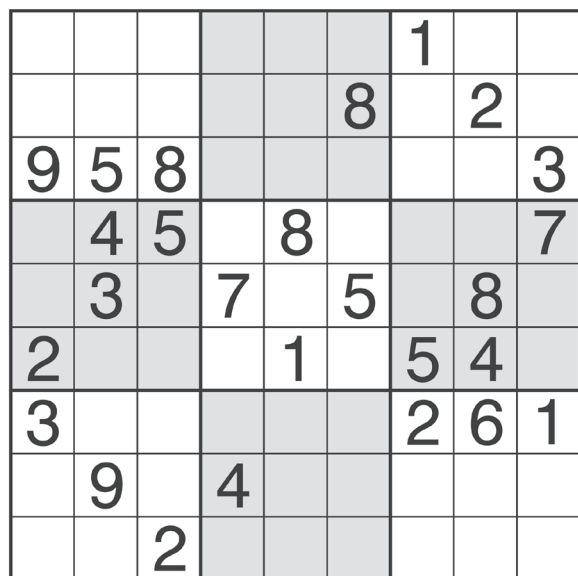


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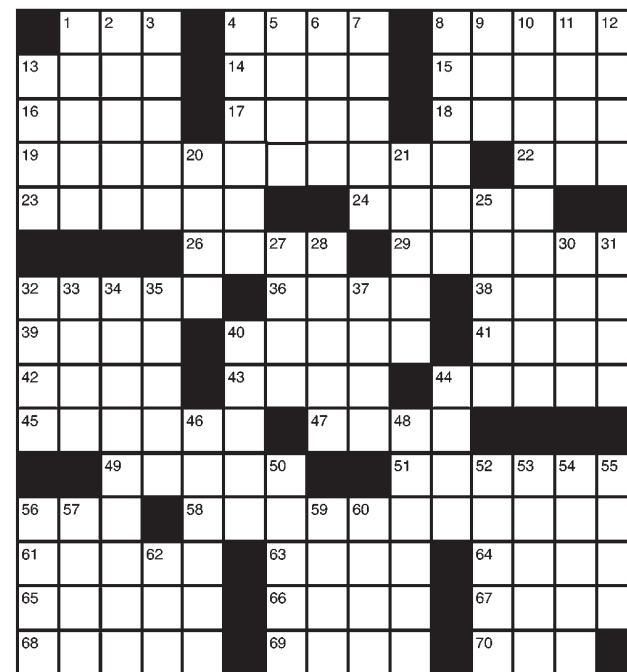
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- 15 Without companions
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- 18 Open space in a forest
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- 23 Diminish
- 24 Ankle
- 26 Little child
- 29 Trusted counselor
- 32 Ship masts
- 36 Cat-o'-\_ tails
- 38 Deal with problems
- 39 Unconscious state
- 40 Handed over, as property
- 41 Cargo; freight
- 42 Mimicked
- 43 Jug
- 44 Common greeting
- 45 Eye membrane
- 47 Lasso
- 49 Hut or mansion
- 51 Fragrances
- 56 Very unfriendly
- 58 Defensive of one's property
- 61 Like a twang
- 63 Uncle Ben's product
- 64 Farmland unit
- 65 Book spine info
- 66 Frank; candid
- 67 Trampled
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- 70 Long, long time

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## 'Dance' fever

The 11th season of "Dancing With the Stars" sashayed to the stage Monday night, with "Dirty Dancing" star Jennifer Grey taking home the top score. Former NBA star Rick Fox also was a surprisingly fluid dancer. Less inspiring were Margaret Cho, who had to scramble off her rear, and The Situation, who left his moves at the Shore. Bristol Palin broke her vow to wear demure outfits by ripping off her outer dress, revealing a super-short red number.

### THE NOT-SO-GOOD

THE SITUATION, MARGARET CHO AND BRISTOL PALIN FAILED TO IMPRESS THE JUDGES



"Dude is dude. He do what he want to do."

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony is performing at the Congress Theater on Oct. 1, but one member, Bizzy Bone, won't be onstage for this, or the rest of a 35-city tour. RedEye spoke to Wish Bone about Bizzy's (ahem) impending absence, and received an F-bomb-laden response. "It's his decision to come and go as he please," Wish said of Bizzy. "We could have been said [bleep] him. Dude is dude. He do what he want to do."



### Here we Go again

OK Go is back with another complex—and adorable, we might add—video for its latest song, "White Knuckles." The video is shot in one take, natch, and features high-fiving puppies, stacked cups and a goat. And about that goat: "He was such a [bleep]," Trish Sie, the video's director, told New York Magazine. "This goat was my favorite animal there, even though he was completely indifferent to me and everyone else."



### Lohan

bad: She was ordered to appear in court Friday after admitting she failed a court-mandated drug test while on probation, **people.com** reports.

### Good day, bad day

Lindsay Lohan got good news and bad news Monday. The good: Lohan settled a lawsuit against E-Trade for a Super Bowl commercial in which a joke was made about a baby named "Lindsay" being a "milkaholic," according to The Associated Press. The

### It takes a 'Community'

"Community" is pulling out all the stops this season with a stop-motion animated Christmas episode, **tvguide.com** reports. The quirky NBC comedy also will make a space-themed episode and a Halloween episode directed by Anthony Hemingway, who directed "True Blood's" Season 3 finale.



### Duuude, excellent!

Keanu Reeves would be totally down for jumping back in that time-traveling phone booth.

The star of "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure" told MTV he'd be game for making a third movie in the series "if it's a film that could stand up on its own." Reeves added that he and co-star Alex Winter have spoken to the original writers about the project.

### THE DIGITS

102,363

The number of people confirmed on Facebook to attend "The Daily Show's" Rally to Restore Sanity on Oct. 30 in Washington, D.C., as of 5 p.m. Monday.

39,901

The number of people confirmed on Facebook to attend "The Colbert Report's" March to Keep Fear Alive, a companion to the "Daily Show" event, as of 5 p.m. Monday.

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